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**ON MAIN STREET, LANCASTER, S. C.,**

at Slaughtered Sale Prices, is still going on. They have decided to move nothing away, but will sell absolutely everything in the store, regardless of cost.

Men's 2.25 Dress Shoes, challenge 1.49.	100 pair men's pants, sold at 2.50, challenge price 1.69.	25 young men's Suits, sold at 4 50, challenge price 2.98.	One lot American Beauty corsets, sold at 1.00, challenge 69c.	One lot dress goods, sold at 15c, challenge price 11½c.
Men's dress genuine Vici Kid, 3.50 kind, challenge price 2.39.	100 pair pants, sold at 3.50, challenge price 1.99.	Gents' coats, fancy trimmed, 3 and 4 dollar value, challenge 1.79 and 1.98.	5000 yds 3 4 domestic, sold at 6c, challenge price 4½c.	One lot dress goods, sold at 25c, challenge price 19½c.
Men's dress fox calf Shoes, 3.50 kind, challenge price 2.48.	50 overcoats, sold at 7.00, challenge price 3.99.	One lot sample pants, tailor made, 6 and 7 dollar value, challenge price 2.98.	1000 yds canton flannel, sold at 10c, challenge price 7c.	5000 yds apron gingham, sold at 6c, challenge price 5½c.
Ladies' Blucher oil grain, sold at 2.00, challenge 1.29.	50 overcoats, sold at 8.50, challenge price 4.69.	One lot children's hose, sold at 10c, challenge price 7c.	2000 yds checks, sold at 6c, challenge price 4½c.	5000 flannelette, sold at 12c, challenge price 8½c.
5000 men's white handkerchiefs sold at 5c, challenge price 2c.	25 boys' Suits with belts, sold at 2 00, price 1.39.	One lot boys' suspenders, sold at 10c, challenge price 7c.	One lot ladies' black hose, sold at 10c, challenge price 7c.	5000 yds outing, sold at 6c, challenge price 4½c.
100 men's Suits, sold at 9.00, challenge price 3.97.	25 boys' Suits, sold at 3 00, challenge price 1.89.		One lot men's ½ hose, sold at ½c, challenge price 9c.	Sale closes December 1st. Look for the yellow sign.

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**ON MAIN STREET, LANCASTER, S. C.**

## Gravestone Literature.

### Some Quaint and Amusing Epitaphs.

Charleston Sunday News.

The study of quaint epitaphs is always an interesting one, and many collections of them have been published, but while the oddity of some of these is sure to provoke a smile, we should remember that, absurd as they may seem to us, they were but the earnest expression of deep feeling on the part of the simple mourners who erected them; their lack of education and of humor alike blinding them to the grotesqueness of the sentiments they express. No one can suppose for a moment that the cowboys who had engraved over the remains of their companion: "He done his damdest; angels could 'do no more," were not perfectly in earnest in their tribute to the worth of their friend. In a New England graveyard there is an inscription which expresses the same appreciation in somewhat more polished terms:

"This modest stone, what few vain marbles can,  
May truly say, here lies an honest man.  
Calmly he looked on life, and here  
Saw nothing to regret, or there to fear."

From the same locality comes an epitaph of quite a different tone, and one that awakens no regret at our not having known the speaker:

"Adieu, vain world, I've seen enough of thee,  
And I am careless what thou sayest of me."

From the graveyard of a Methodist church in St. Louis comes an inscription which should meet with the approval of the advocates of phonetic spelling;

though we fear the sentiments it expresses would not receive their approbation:

"Here lies a stranger brav,  
Who died while fightin' the Suthern  
Confederacy to save  
Piece to his dust, brave Suthern friend,  
you reached a Glory us end.  
We place this stone above the stranger's  
head,  
In honor of the shiverlus ded  
Sweet spirit, rest in Heaven, ther'l be  
know Yankis there."

Another epitaph to a brave soldier of Scotland, who also fell in battle, runs thus:

Here lies the body of Alex Macpherson.  
He was a very extraordinary person.  
He stood six feet two, without his shoe,  
And he was slew at Waterloo."

The burying grounds of New England, especially those along the coast, furnish many quaint inscriptions. From a Vermont village one has been copied which might with propriety serve for the hundred victims of unloaded guns whose deaths are so often recorded:

"Oh, fatal gun, why was it him that  
you should kill so dead?  
Why didn't you go off higher and fire  
above his head?"

It is a peculiarity of the same cemetery that in nearly every instance the manner of death by which the deceased came to their end is recorded. One was "killed by a whale;" another commemorates a sailor who "died in port:"

"Rude Boreas's winds and Neptune's  
waves,  
Have tossed me to and fro;  
By God's decree, you plainly see,  
I'm harbor'd here below."

Still another has the laconic remark

"He's done a catchin' cod and gone to  
meet his God."

Graveyards around some of the quaint old churches in rural parts of England furnish many amusing epitaphs; and in the South Carolina Gazette of September 19, 1768, we find the following, copied from a tombstone in a church in Essex:

"Here lies the man Richard and Mary  
his wife.  
There surname was Pritchard, they lived

free from strife,  
And the reason was plain, they abounded  
in riches,  
They nor care had nor pain, and the  
wife wore the breeches."

From Gray's allusion to "the unlettered muse" he had probably remarked a fact patent to all students of grave-yard literature, that either the writers of epitaphs or the stone-cutters were rather weak in the matter of spelling, and the poetry was much on a par with what we occasionally seen in newspaper obituary notices.

### Uncle Sam to Make Railroads Pay for not making Schedules.

Washington special in Columbia State: The railroads will have to pay for running their trains behind time if Assistant Postmaster General Shallenberg does what he today told Senator Clay of Georgia he would do, following the announcement that the Southern has asked to be relieved of making its contract to run the fast mail train No. 97 to New Orleans in consideration of a subsidy of \$149,000, saying that it is unable to make schedule time. Mr. Shallenberg told Senator Clay that he intended to penalize all railroads in the country for delayed trains. The following provisions of law were put in the last postoffice appropriation bill:

"That the postmaster general shall require all railroads carrying the mails under contract to comply with the terms of said contract as to time of arrival and departure of said mails and it shall be his duty to impose and collect reasonable fines for delay if not caused by unavoidable accidents or conditions."

### Brothers Quarrel about a House--One Killed.

Aiken special in The State: In the shooting and killing of Joseph Livingston, colored, at Kitchen's Mills, a county post-office 15 miles from here, yesterday afternoon, by his brother, Barney, Aiken county adds another homicide to its long list. The difficulty between the two brothers arose apparently over a misunderstanding in the renting of a house in which one of the negroes resided. Yesterday it seems that Joseph decided to move in the building regardless of its occupancy and as a result was shot by his brother, Barney Livingston was arrested today by Deputy Sheriff Bube and lodged in jail here today.

### Atlanta Negro to Hang.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 1.—Will Johnson, the negro found guilty of an assault last summer upon Mrs. George Hembree, a white woman, was today sentenced to hang on January 1, 1907.

### Bank Robber a Suicide.

Bendena, Kan., Dec. 1.—Jesse Harris, who had acquired considerable notoriety as a daring bank robber, but hitherto has succeeded in avoiding capture, essayed today to rob a bank here. By clever and plucky work on the part of the president and cashier the fellow was trapped, and chagrined at having for the first time in his career failed to accomplish his purpose, watched his opportunity and shot himself dead.

### Summons for Relief.

(Complaint not Served.)  
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA,  
Lancaster County.  
Court of Common Pleas.  
Charleston Live Stock Company,  
Plaintiff,  
against  
Samuel W. Birmingham, Defendant.  
To the Defendant, Samuel W. Birmingham.  
You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which was this day filed in the Office of the Clerk of this Court for Lancaster county, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscribers at their office in the Springs Block in the town of Lancaster, S. C., within twenty days after the service hereof, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the complaint within the time aforesaid, the Plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint.  
Dated November 2, A. D., 1906.  
GREEN & HINES,  
Plaintiff's Attorneys.  
J. F. Gregory,  
C. C. C. L. C.

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### Bill to Exclude Negroes from the Army

Washington, Dec. 1.—Representative Slaydon introduced a bill which provides that "on or before the 1st of June, 1907, all enlistments of the army who are negro of negro descent shall be discharged from the service of the United States and thereafter no negro or person of negro descent shall be enlisted or appointed in the army of the United States."

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